

Holy Spirit Parish

December 10, 2017
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Bambinelli Sunday

The Blessing of the Baby Jesus from our mangers at home will be held this Sunday at the 9 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Church and next Sunday at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Martha's Church.

Special Guest

at the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's Church. **Children leave your shoes in the Narthex before Mass!** See details inside!



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4 p.m. Kennebunk

4 p.m. Wells

Sunday

9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Wells

8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Kennebunk

Weekdays 8 a.m. Wells, 9 a.m. Kennebunk

St. Mary's Church—236 Eldridge Rd.
Wells, ME 04090

(207) 646-5605 — FAX (207) 646-9437

St. Martha's Church—30 Portland Rd.
Kennebunk ME 04043

(207) 985-6252 — FAX (207) 985-7740

All Saints' Church—45 School St.
Ogunquit, ME 03907

Closed for the Season

Rev. Frederick Morse, Pastor

Deacon Darrell Blackwell

Mrs. Diane W. O'Neil, Office Manager

Mrs. Carolyn F. Houston, Director of Faith Formation

Mrs. Rosanne Smith, Coordinator of Adult Ed.

Mr. Mark Reeth, Music/Communications Coordinator

Mrs. Lisa White, Choir Director

Mr. Timothy Cilley, Facilities Manager, Wells

Mr. Timothy Gallant, Facilities Manager, Kennebunk

Parish Registration/Update

Name (s) _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone (s) _____

Phone (s): _____

E-mail Address: _____

New Registration Change of Address

Change of E-mail Address

Moving out of Parish Want Envelopes

If you are new to the parish, or have a new address or phone number, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail to Holy Spirit Parish, 236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090 or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

December 16/17

4:00 p.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Manship

4:00 p.m. St. Mary's (W) Fr. Morse

8:00 a.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Morse

9:00 a.m. St. Mary's (W) Msgr. Murphy

10:00 a.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Morse

11:00 a.m. St. Mary's (W) Msgr. Murphy

Schedule subject to change

Reconciliation on Saturdays

3:00—3:30 p.m. St. Martha's & St. Mary's

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

All inserts for the bulletin must be submitted by 12 noon Friday. All holidays change the deadline. Please call Diane O'Neil at 646-5605 or email stmarywells@myfairpoint.net

SACRAMENTS

Baptism — Please call for an appointment.

Reconciliation — Saturdays 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Martha's Church and Saturdays 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Anytime upon request—please call the office to make an appointment—(207) 646-5605.

Matrimony — Please contact the pastor six months prior to the desired date.

Sacrament of the Sick — Please call anytime. If you know that you will be admitted to the hospital, please call the office to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament after a daily or Sunday Mass. Please advise the office when a parishioner is hospitalized.

Seeking to join the Church or would like to know more about the Catechism of the Catholic Church? FMI call Fr. Fred at 646-5605.

Prayer Line Requests: May be made to: Aline Saunders at alinesaunders@roadrunner.com or 985-9214.

Homebound Parishioners: Any homebound parishioner wishing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home please call the office at 646-5605.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND December 9/10

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Will Fulford by Lynn Domasko, Zander & Katja Kosmala (K)
	4:00 p.m.	Lee Lapierre by Paul Breen (W)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.	For our Parishioners
	9:00 a.m.	Will Fulford by Steve, Beth & Kevin Finn
	10:00 a.m.	Irene C. Burpee by Karen & Kurtis Grant
	11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Leonard A. Copenrath by Patti Toro

WEEKDAYS December 11-15

Monday:	8:00 a.m.	Msgr. Leonard A. Coopenrath by Sue & John Freeman
	9:00 a.m.	Will Fulford by Rosanne Smith
Tuesday:	8:00 a.m.	Rev. Claude Albert by Mary Jane Grady
	9:00 a.m.	Hoang Nguyen by Phai Nguyen
	10:30 a.m.	Communion Service — Kennebunk Nursing Home
Wednesday:	8:00 a.m.	Kevin O'Neil by his Wife
	9:00 a.m.	Rev. Claude Albert by John & Julie Keegan
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Patrick Sinibaldi by Harvey Bernier
	9:00 a.m.	Shelagh Nelson by the PEA Group
Friday:	8:00 a.m.	Charles York by his wife Ida
	9:00 a.m.	Paul Martel by his wife, Muriel

NEXT WEEKEND December 16/17

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Frances Garley by the Spas/Faul Family (K)
	4:00 p.m.	Emile Bedard by Al McEvoy (W)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.	Lillian Saunders Glavey by the Saunders Family
	9:00 a.m.	Paula Mamone by her Family
	10:00 a.m.	For our Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Will Fulford by Ginny Putnam

Daily Mass Key: (W) 8 a.m. (K) 9:00 a.m.

Rest in Peace

*Tom Dennehy
John Donovan
Marie Hamlyn
Jean Walsh*



November 25/26

Collection	\$ 11,733.00
We Share (17)	\$ 672.00
Total Offertory	\$ 12,405.00
Tithe	\$ 868.00
Envelopes (365)	\$ 7,343.10
Loose	\$ 4,389.90

Campaign for Human Development
Offering extra envelopes \$ 70.00

This weekend the second collection is for the Retired Religious. Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

You may also donate to all special collections through WE SHARE. If you are registered in the parish your gift will be recorded for your tax receipt.

How to create your We Share account:



1. Visit holyspiritme.org and click Give Online
2. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
3. Click Recurring Donation, enter your donation amount and frequency.

Your account will be created & you can start giving online. Questions? Please take a handout that is available in the Narthex, or call the office.



Food Pantry News

St. Martha's Community Pantry needs pancake mix, pancake syrup, peanut butter, jelly.

St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry needs jello, cereal, cookies, pudding, canned meat and tissues.

And, thanks to Billy's Chowder House and Sysco for the very generous donation for our Food Pantry!

THE WEEK AHEAD

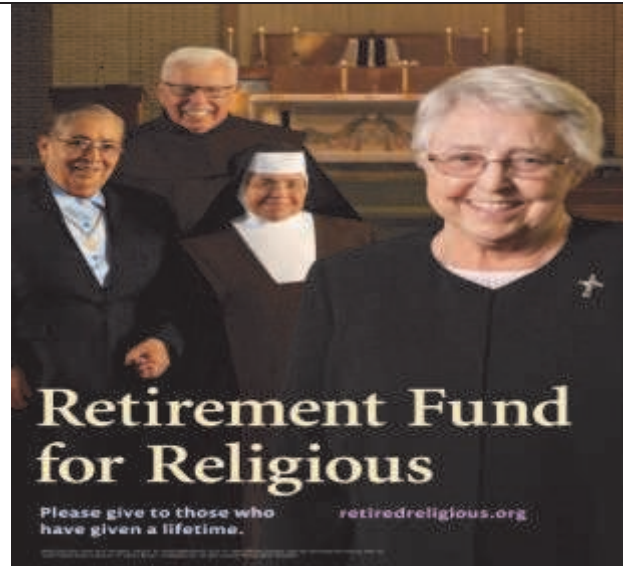
December 10 — December 17

St. Martha's Church

- Sunday: Faith Formation 9 a.m.
K of C Christmas Party 11 am
S Anon 7 p.m.
- Monday: K of C Officers
Centering Prayer 6 p.m.
- Tuesday: Cursillo 4 p.m.
K of C 7 p.m.
- Wednesday: Ignatian Exercises
Weight Watchers 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday: Gospel of John 6 p.m.
Gospel Presentation Rehearsal 6 p.m.
Faith Sharing 7 p.m.
- Friday: Produce Pantry
- Saturday: Reconciliation 3—3:30 p.m.
- Sunday: Faith Formation 9 a.m.
Coffee & Donuts
S Anon 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Church

- Sunday: Visit from St. Nicholas 9 a.m. Mass
Faith Formation 10 a.m.
Coffee and Donuts after both Masses
- Monday: Faith Formation 3:45 p.m.
- Tuesday: Red Cross Blood Drive 12 noon—6 p.m.
Follow Me—Gospel of John 1 p.m.
- Wednesday: Bible Study 10 a.m.
- Thursday: Food Pantry 1 p.m.
- Friday: Gospel Presentation Rehearsal 6 p.m.
AA 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday: AA 8 a.m.
Reconciliation 3—3:30 p.m.
- Sunday: Faith Formation 10 a.m.
K of C Brunch after both Masses



Thank you for your continued generosity for the second collection this weekend.

Feast Day

December 12th



**How to Become a Catholic
The R.C.I.A.**

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The parish welcomes those seeking fuller participation in the life of the Church. RCIA is a program offered each year for the following people:

- ◆ Individuals who have never been baptized and who wish to be baptized and welcomed into the Catholic faith.
- ◆ Individuals who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- ◆ Individuals who were baptized in the Catholic Church but never received first Holy Communion.

The first eleven weeks are considered an inquiry period with no formal commitment required, so all are welcome to register and come and see. If you or someone you know might be interested, please email Rosanne at

Rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org or call 207-985-6252.



December 10, 2017 2nd Sunday of Advent

"People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him." John the Baptist commanded quite a crowd. What was the attraction? Was it his unusual appearance-clothed in camel's hair? Perhaps it was his bizarre eating habits-feeding on locusts and wild honey. Or maybe people were captivated by the Baptist's remarkable humility in the face of such huge popularity-"I am not worthy." Unlike our modern fascination with standing in the presence of superstars, the crowds who flocked to John weren't looking for a thrill. They weren't lining up for autographs. They were lining up for baptism. And they were acknowledging their sins at the same time. John was proclaiming "a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." And people came because they were longing to experience the freedom of that forgiveness. John called them to conversion. To convert means to turn, in this case to turn away from sin. And the crowds were anxious to do so in order to "prepare the way of the Lord." For these first-century Jews, the imminent approach of the Messiah came with a call for conversion and they took this call very seriously. Now, for us, as twenty-first century Christians, the Church, like John the Baptist, calls us to prepare and repent during this season of Advent. Will we take the call seriously? Will we examine the areas of our lives that need to change? Will we pray for God's help to overcome our habitual sin and to make choices based on generosity instead of selfishness? Now is the time to heed the message. Now is the time to "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

Attention: All Children of Holy Spirit Parish

Our parish will be welcoming a very special and famous guest at the 9 am Mass at St. Mary's this Sunday. Our guest is from a distant land that has some very interesting traditions. To accommodate one of the wonderful (and very fun) traditions of our guest, children will be asked to leave their shoes neatly lined up in the narthex before they go into Mass. Don't forget to wear socks that day!



Bambinelli Sunday will be celebrated in our Parish during this Advent season. This wonderful Advent tradition is native to Italy, where the Pope blesses the baby Jesus from all of the family Nativity sets. Families are encouraged to bring the baby Jesus from their Nativities to be blessed during Mass. Fr. Fred will celebrate Bambinelli Sunday at St. Mary's this Sunday during the 9am Mass, and at **St. Martha's** on December 17th, during the 10am

“Leave the Light On”

Confession will be available during the third week of Advent.

Monday, December 18th from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Martha's.

Tuesday, December 19th from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Mary's.

Wednesday, December 20th from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Martha's.





The Holy Spirit Advent Giving Trees are an annual parish Advent tradition at our parish. Please attach the original ornament to the package. The tags identify the item, and allow us to get them to their proper destination. Please have the gifts back no later than December 17th so the gifts may be distributed in time for Christmas. Thank you!



Get your picture taken with **SANTA** at the Breakfast on Sunday Dec. 17th **FREE** - No charge

Celebrate the season!

Let's enjoy time with good friends
Great food and drink
Meet and greet your fellow parishioners

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9
AFTER THE 4 PM MASS
ST. MARY'S CHURCH

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Family Breakfast
All Are Welcome
SUNDAY, DEC. 17TH
8 AM - Noon
ST. MARY'S HALL
236 Eldridge Road, Wells

MENU
Pancakes, Waffles, Eggs, Toast,
Potatoes, Bacon, Sausage,
Fresh Fruit,
Juices: Apple & Orange,
Milk, Coffee:
Tea, Reg. &
Water Decaf

Adults \$8, Children 6-10 \$5
Preschoolers - FREE
FMI: 207-646-6870



Youth Ministry Matthew 25:35 Meal

“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me . . . “ (Matthew 25:35)
The second Holy Spirit Parish and St. Therese of Liseux Parish Matthew 25:35 Meal” will be held on December 12th at St. Ignatius church

hall from 5:30 – 6:30 pm. Holy Spirit parishioners were wonderfully generous with their pasta and sauce donations for November’s meal. We collected enough pasta to use for this month’s meal as well. Thank you!! If anyone would like to donate toward this month’s Matthew 25:35 Meal, we are requesting gift cards to Hannaford in order to purchase a few huge containers of sauce, bread, and produce (since individual jars were found to be cumbersome). All donations should be labeled “youth ministry”, and dropped off at St. Martha or St. Mary’s by December 10th. FMI please contact Carolyn Houston at 985-6252, 646-5605 or churchlady5605@gmail.com.